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Wastewater discharge near Carroll stopped

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CARROLL—Wastewater flowed into a drainage ditch on the east side of Carroll Thursday afternoon after a bridge contractor struck a sewer main.

Dixon Construction and the city of Carroll acted quickly to plug the pipe and divert the untreated wastewater.

Carroll city officials estimate less than 500 gallons were released near the intersection of U.S. Highway 30 and N. Grant Road. An unknown amount of wastewater traveled 1.4 miles through a drainage ditch before reaching the Middle Raccoon River.

The city hopes to complete repairs today once parts are available.

DNR will continue to monitor the situation and consider appropriate enforcement action.

Orange dye in Davenport's Crow Creek traced to mulching operation

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DAVENPORT—DNR staff from Washington, Iowa, headed to Davenport Thursday afternoon after receiving a call and a photo showing bright orange flow in Crow Creek east of the Davenport airport.

The DNR traced the discharge Thursday to a storm sewer in the River Cities Industrial Center north of the Interstate 80 and U.S. Highway 61 interchange.

On Friday, the DNR confirmed Timber Industries dyed mulch from about 3:30 to 6 p.m. Thursday, and excess orange dye flowed into the storm sewer then entered Crow Creek.

Field tests showed adequate oxygen in the creek and normal levels for ammonia and acidity. DNR staff did not see any dead fish.

The DNR will continue to investigate and consider appropriate enforcement action.